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EDUCATION

Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

2006 - 2010

- Graduated with highest honors in Psychology (major) and Educational Studies (minor).
- GPA: 3.97; Phi Beta Kappa.
- Oak Leaf Award: Chosen by Swarthmore College faculty as the most outstanding woman in the graduating class in leadership, scholarship, and contributions to the College community.
- Deans' Award: Awarded for significant and sustained contribution to the Swarthmore College community.
- **Flack Achievement Award**: Awarded to the most outstanding member of the junior class in academic achievement, leadership potential, and accomplishments in extracurricular activities.
- **Philip Evans Scholarship**: Awarded for demonstrated integrity, intelligence, and a commitment to community service. Scholars receive grants to pursue summer projects relating to social action and personal growth.

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Summer 2009

Coursework in Behavioral Health Research and Research Ethics

GPA: 4.00

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Stanford University Psychology Department, Stanford, CA

Summer 2010

- Ran participants in numerous social psychology laboratory experiments and field experiments.
- Conducted literature searches on topics of morality, self-image, scale development, and cross-cultural differences in attitudes toward hypocrisy.
- Coded and analyzed qualitative data.

Senior Thesis (Honors), Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

2009-2010

- **Solomon Asch Award**: Senior thesis entitled "Self-Control and the Moral Equilibrium" chosen by the Psychology Department as the most outstanding independent work in psychology at Swarthmore College.
- Conceptualized, designed, and conducted independent research project investigating attitudes toward selfcontrol and propensity to exhibit moral compensation and moral licensing behaviors.
- Administered web survey to 600 participants and analyzed response data using SPSS and Microsoft Excel.

Intern, Research For Action, Philadelphia, PA

2010

- Worked in teams to evaluate outcomes of Camden Middle Grades Initiative, an intervention aimed at developing leadership skills among principals of low-achieving schools in the Camden School District.
- Reviewed and summarized literature on teacher training programs, analyzed qualitative and quantitative program evaluation data, and transcribed interviews with stakeholders.

REU Scholar, Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI) REU Program, Tampa, FL

Summer 2009

- Conducted quantitative research project analyzing a large administrative data set.
- Served as primary investigator under the supervision of two University of South Florida faculty mentors.
- First author of original manuscript "Effects of gender, race/ethnicity, and age on dosing and monitoring of antidepressant medications: An examination of Florida Medicaid."
- Manuscript was selected for the 2009 REU **Outstanding Research Award** and \$250 prize. Selection was based on a blind review conducted by an independent panel of USF Faculty.
- Presented research findings at FMHI Research Symposium to 75 faculty and staff.

Publications and Presentations

Author, Alchemy Magazine of Academic Writing, Swarthmore, PA

2010

• Paper entitled "School Vouchers in Sweden" accepted for publication in Spring 2010 issue of *alchemy*.

Presenter, Annual Southeast Evaluation Association Conference, Tallahassee, FL

2010

 Presented paper "Sociodemographic disparities in dosage levels of antidepressant medications among Florida Medicaid enrollees" on February 23, 2010.

Presenter, Swarthmore Sigma Xi Fall Poster Session, Swarthmore, PA

2009

• Presented poster entitled "Sociodemographic disparities in antidepressant medication dosages among Florida Medicaid enrollees" to Swarthmore College faculty and students.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2009-present 2002-present

LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Co-Coordinator, Learning for Life Program, Swarthmore, PA

2008-2010

- Coordinated a literacy program with over eighty participants.
- Recruited volunteers, advertised campus-wide events, managed budget, and trained new student coordinators.
- As a volunteer (2007-2010), helped two Swarthmore staff members with developmental disabilities plan for independent living. Pursue shared interests of filmmaking and digital photography.

Resident Assistant, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

2009-2010

- Provided general information, counseling, and advising to 25 residents.
- Mentored first year college students on academic and personal matters.

Student Representative, Council on Educational Policy, Swarthmore, PA

2009-2010

- Appointed by Student Council to represent student interests to College faculty, Provost, and President.
- Advise committee on long-range matters of curricular change, including introduction of new programs, approvals of new tenure-track positions, and prudent course of action during economic downturn.

Tax Preparer, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, Chester, PA

2009

• Helped low-income families access their Earned Income Tax Credit while preparing taxes pro bono.